Incorporating right to work in the Constitution

†3196. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government has taken or propose to take any steps to incorporate "right to work" in the constitution as fundamantal fight;

(b) if so, the details thereof as on date; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERN ANDES): (a) to (c) There is no proposal under consideration of the Central Government to include right to work as a fundamental rights in the constitution. However, Government is fully aware of the unemployment problem in the country. The Eleventh Five Year Plan provides a framework to restructure policies to achieve a new vision based on faster, more broad-based and inclusive growth. It aims at making employment generation an Integral part of the growth process and devise strategies to accelerate not only growth of employment but also of wages of the poorly paid. The Eleventh Plan document approved by National Development Council has projected that 58 million job opportunities on current Daily Status are likely to be created during the Eleventh Plan period. Besides, Government of India is implementing various employment generation ■and poverty alleviation programmes in both rural and urban areas to increase employment opportunities. Some of the important ones are — Swarana Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY); Prime Minister's Rozgar Yojana (PMRY); Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY); Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP); Sampooma Grameen Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) and National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA), 2005.

Steps have been initiated to identify and implement systematic reforms in administration of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) so as to facilitate closer interaction with industry in order to improve quality of training, make the graduates better employable and help them earn decent wages.

Instruction to prevent child labour

3197. SHRI SYED AZEEZ PASHA:
SHRI D. RAJA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to prevent children from selling cold drinks and ice-cream and to educate the children by the industries where the child labour is allowed;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that a ban was imposed on children working in dhabas and homes;

(d) if so, whether Government had undertaken any survey of homes of dhabas to see whether its instructions have been complied with;

(e) if so, the details and findings; and

(f) if not, what measures are being taken to ensure that its instruction to prevent child labour is implemented properly?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.